



EU Environment Conference

RoHS, WEEE, Circular Economy, & REACH Updated

Washington, DC, U.S. Department of Commerce
Friday, June 3, 2016, 9:00 a.m. to 11:45 a.m.

Focusing on the EU Regulatory Landscape for Electrical and Electronic Equipment Manufacturers & Medical Electronic Device Companies

- Restriction of Hazardous Substances (RoHS) Recast – Upcoming scope review and approval; new restricted substances approved; status of exemption applications; relation of REACH to RoHS; enforcement issues; company challenges complying with RoHS II.
- Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment (WEEE) Recast – WEEE Directive two years after implementation; changes from the original WEEE Directive; enforcement issues; company challenges complying with WEEE II; use of authorized representative.
- The EU's Circular Economy Proposals – Aiming to stimulate Europe's transition towards a circular economy that will boost competitiveness, foster sustainable economic growth and generate new jobs, these proposals will also impact upon the existing WEEE, RoHS and ErP frameworks. A string of new implementing measures have been adopted under the ErP Directive and a new work plan covering many types of products, including non-electronic items, is being developed as part of the Circular Economy package.
- REACH – Discussion of the recently redefined meaning of “article” as applied to the European Union Registration, Evaluation, and Authorization of Chemicals (REACH) Regulation and its impact on manufacturers of electrical and electronic products sold in the European Union.

Speakers:

- ✦ **Steve Andrews**, United Kingdom, Head of the Product Regulation & Producer Responsibility Unit, Department for Environment, Food & Rural Affairs (Defra), leads UK Government policy on these Directives.
- ✦ **Fern Abrams**, IPC – The Association Connecting Electronics Industry, Director of Regulatory Affairs and Government Relations for IPC.
- ✦ **Commerce Deputy Assistant Secretary** – To be determined

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